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SUBJECT: UNESCO: PRESIDENCY OF 20TH GENERAL CONFERENCE

REF: PARIS 22775

1. DEPT. IN FULL ACCORD WITH PERMDEL'S ASSESSMENT OF THE
SITUATION AND AUTHORIZES YOU TO REPLY TO JORDANIAN NOTE
ALONG THE LINES INDICATED IN PARA 9 OF REFTEL.

2. PLEASE NOTIFY ALL RPT ALL PARIS-BASED PERMDELS OF
U.S. POSITION, I.E. OUR DEFINITE AND UNEQUIVOCAL SUPPORT
OF MR. NAPOLEON LEBLANC OF CANADA FOR THE PRESIDENCY OF
THE 20TH GENERAL CONFERENCE.

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3. SINCE THERE APPEARS TO BE SOME DOUBT AS TO THE
SOLIDARITY OF ELECTORAL GROUP ONE FOR LEBLANC'S CANDIDACY
(PARA 3 OF REFTEL), PERMDEL INSTRUCTED TO REQUEST CHAIRMAN
WESTERHOFF (AUSTRIA) TO CONVENE ELECTORAL GROUP ONE
MEETING TO DISCUSS THE GRAVITY OF SITUATION (PARAS 5 TO 7
OF REFTEL) AND TO CLEAR UP THE AIR. ALTERNATIVELY, IF

MEETING COULD NOT BE ARRANGED VERY SOON, YOU SHOULD URGE WESTERHOFF TO SEND OUT FOLLOW-UP CIRCULAR NOTE RESTATING GROUP ONE DETERMINATION TO SEEK GENERAL CONFERENCE PRESIDENCY AND INDICATING FULL SUPPORT FOR LEBLANC.

4. YOU SHOULD IMMEDIATELY INFORM CANADIAN PERMREP OF OUR POSITION AND COORDINATE WITH HIM COMMON STRATEGY, INCLUDING LOBBYING.

5. PLEASE SUBMIT FULL REPORT ON THE SITUATION.

6. FOR OTTAWA: EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO COMMUNICATE TO EXTERNAL AFFAIRS SUBSTANCE OF PARAS 2, 3 AND 4 ABOVE, AND REPORT REACTION. CHRISTOPHER

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